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# COMPUTER PROGRAM FOR EVALUATION OF OPTICAL THIN-FILM FILTERS WITH A DIGITAL COMPUTER AND DISPLAY

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## INTRODUCTION

The description of the computer program is designed to display and evaluate the comparison of multilayer, dielectric, thin-film optical filter transmittance values with corresponding wavelength data for normal incidence only.

The program is written for the PDP-5 and PDP-8 combined computer system which has an intercommunication buffer, a 30-G cathode ray tube (CRT) display, a deck tape system, and teletype and punched-tape input and output equipment.

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## COMPUTER PROGRAM

The "Thin-Film Filter Computer Program System" has been written to operate with the PDP-5/8 computers linked with an interface connection. The system uses the following peripheral equipment: a teletype input-output system and a 30-G display unit with 14-inch CRT.

The program system is in three parts. The main program is a FORTRAN program that reads the input data tape, performs the necessary calculations, sends a signal to the CRT link routine, and prints complete results on the teletype unit. The CRT display program is an assembler language program that displays the FORTRAN program results on the CRT; the link program is an assembler language program that transmits the FORTRAN program output to the PDP-5.

The input data for a run are arranged on paper tape according to the format in table I. Definitions of the variables listed in table I are found in table II.

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The data for adjusting the thicknesses may be prepared on paper tape or typed manually on the teletype as the program proceeds. A sample data tape is shown in table III. The data on the paper tape are transmitted to the computer by the teletype unit.

Output on the teletype unit is shown in tables IV to VII. An output sample for CRT can be found on pages 6 and 8 of NASA TM X-58013 entitled "Evaluation of Optical Thin-Film Filters." Following table VII are the listings and flow charts (figs. 1 and 2) for the three computer programs.

The loading sequence is in two main parts. The first part is for the PDP-5, and the second part is for the PDP-8.

1. PDP-5 — Load CRT display routine and floating point package A in either order with the binary loader; branch to 0400 to start the display routine.
2. PDP-8 — Load according to the following order:
  - a. FORTRAN operating system no. 1 with binary loader
  - b. Assembler language link routine with binary loader
  - c. FORTRAN program object tape with low-speed reader option

Branch to 0200 and begin.

TABLE I. - INPUT SEQUENCE AND FORMAT

Input sequence	Format
N	I
M	I
XNO	E
XNS	E
XN <sub>1</sub>	E
⋮	⋮
XN <sub>n</sub>	E
XLAM <sub>1</sub>	E
⋮	⋮
XLAM <sub>m</sub>	E
TH <sub>1</sub>	E
⋮	⋮
TH <sub>n</sub>	E
a { NINP, I, TH <sub>i</sub> ⋮ Repeat until NINP = 0	I, I, E
	I, I, E

<sup>a</sup>Repeat for each altered set of thicknesses.

TABLE II. - INPUT DEFINITIONS

Initial	Definition
N	Number of layers
M	Number of lambdas
XNO	Incident medium refractive index ( $N_o$ )
XNS	Substrate refractive index ( $N_s$ )
XNi	Index of refraction of layer
XLAMi	Wavelength of light (lambda)
THi	Thickness of a layer
Thickness Alterations <sup>a</sup>	
NINP	If NINP = 0, last thickness change If NINP = 1, more changes coming
I	That layer where thickness is to be changed
Th(i)	The changed thickness

<sup>a</sup>This section is repeated every time a new altered thickness table is desired.

TABLE III. - INPUT TAPE FOR INITIAL SET OF THICKNESSES<sup>a</sup>

Input parameters	Wavelength $\lambda$	Thickness $t$
18	.40E-04	.643E-05
15	.41E-04	.751E-05
1.0	.42E-04	.890E-05
1.52	.43E-04	.751E-05
1.38	.44E-04	.890E-05
2.30	.45E-04	.751E-05
1.38	.46E-04	.890E-05
2.30	.47E-04	.751E-05
1.38	.48E-04	.890E-05
2.30	.49E-04	.751E-05
1.38	.50E-04	.890E-05
2.30	.51E-04	.751E-05
1.38	.52E-04	.890E-05
2.30	.53E-04	.751E-05
1.38	.54E-04	.890E-05
2.30		.751E-05
1.38		.890E-05
2.30		.751E-05
1.38		

<sup>a</sup>Input order: column 1 followed by column 2 followed by column 3.

TABLE IV. - OUTPUT OF INITIAL SET PARAMETERS

NUMBER OF LAYERS  $\approx$  18  
 NUMBER OF LAMBDA = 15

XNO = 1.0

XNS = 1.52

LAYER INDEX OF REFRACTION

+1	1.38
+2	2.30
+3	1.38
+4	2.30
+5	1.38
+6	2.30
+7	1.38
+8	2.30
+9	1.38
+10	2.30
+11	1.38
+12	2.30
+13	1.38
+14	2.30
+15	1.38
+16	2.30
+17	1.38
+18	2.30

LAMBDA

.40E-04
.41E-04
.42E-04
.43E-04
.44E-04
.45E-04
.46E-04
.47E-04
.48E-04
.49E-04
.50E-04
.51E-04
.52E-04
.53E-04
.54E-04

TABLE V. - OUTPUT OF INITIAL SET,  $\lambda$  VERSUS T

LAYER	THICKNESS OF LAYER
+1	.643E-05
+2	.751E-05
+3	.890E-05
+4	.751E-05
+5	.890E-05
+6	.751E-05
+7	.890E-05
+8	.751E-05
+9	.890E-05
+10	.751E-05
+11	.890E-05
+12	.751E-05
+13	.890E-05
+14	.751E-05
+15	.890E-05
+16	.751E-05
+17	.890E-05
+18	.751E-05
LAMBDA	TRANSMITTANCE
+0.399999E-4	+0.987624E+0
+0.409999E-4	+0.942006E+0
+0.419999E-4	+0.972206E+0
+0.429999E-4	+0.992719E+0
+0.439999E-4	+0.910667E+0
+0.449999E-4	+0.892187E+0
+0.459999E-4	+0.984376E+0
+0.469999E-4	+0.898954E+0
+0.480000E-4	+0.693483E+0
+0.489999E-4	+0.785219E+0
+0.499999E-4	+0.779257E+0
+0.509999E-4	+0.117121E+0
+0.519999E-4	+0.248735E-1
+0.529999E-4	+0.829176E-2
+0.539999E-4	+0.369789E-2

TABLE VI. - OUTPUT OF ADJUSTED SET

1	12	659E-05	Thickness adjustments 1
Ø	13	767E-05	

LAYER	THICKNESS
+1	+Ø.642998E-5
+2	+Ø.75Ø999E-5
+3	+Ø.889999E-5
+4	+Ø.75Ø999E-5
+5	+Ø.889999E-5
+6	+Ø.75Ø999E-5
+7	+Ø.889999E-5
+8	+Ø.75Ø999E-5
+9	+Ø.889999E-5
+1Ø	+Ø.75Ø999E-5
+11	+Ø.889999E-5
+12	+Ø.658999E-2
+13	+Ø.767ØØØE-2
+14	+Ø.75Ø999E-5
+15	+Ø.889999E-5
+16	+Ø.75Ø999E-5
+17	+Ø.889999E-5
+18	+Ø.75Ø999E-5

LAMBDA	TRANSMITTANCE
+Ø.399999E-4	+Ø.832921E+Ø
+Ø.4Ø9999E-4	+Ø.789471E+Ø
+Ø.419999E-4	+Ø.984829E+Ø
+Ø.429999E-4	+Ø.935955E+Ø
+Ø.439999E-4	+Ø.937Ø62E+Ø
+Ø.449999E-4	+Ø.887739E+Ø
+Ø.459999E-4	+Ø.87Ø45ØE+Ø
+Ø.469999E-4	+Ø.682983E+Ø
+Ø.48ØØØØE-4	+Ø.389687E+Ø
+Ø.489999E-4	+Ø.2Ø6427E+Ø
+Ø.499999E-4	+Ø.374616E-1
+Ø.5Ø9999E-4	+Ø.278ØØ2E-1
+Ø.519999E-4	+Ø.591Ø1ØE-1
+Ø.529999E-4	+Ø.127748E+Ø
+Ø.539999E-4	+Ø.3884Ø2E-1

TABLE VII. - OUTPUT OF ADJUSTED SET

Ø1	8	.699E-Ø5	
Ø1	9	.777E-Ø5	Thickness adjustments 2
ØØ	1Ø	.688E-Ø5	

LAYER	THICKNESS	LAMBDA	TRANSMITTANCE
+1	+Ø.642998E-5	+Ø.399999E-4	+Ø.944412E+Ø
+2	+Ø.75Ø999E-5	+Ø.4Ø9999E-4	+Ø.62Ø119E+Ø
+3	+Ø.889999E-5	+Ø.419999E-4	+Ø.869817E+Ø
+4	+Ø.75Ø999E-5	+Ø.429999E-4	+Ø.796673E+Ø
+5	+Ø.889999E-5	+Ø.439999E-4	+Ø.8663Ø7E+Ø
+6	+Ø.75Ø999E-5	+Ø.449999E-4	+Ø.8481ØØE+Ø
+7	+Ø.889999E-5	+Ø.459999E-4	+Ø.717866E+Ø
+8	+Ø.698999E-5	+Ø.469999E-4	+Ø.38633ØE+Ø
+9	+Ø.776999E-5	+Ø.48ØØØE-4	+Ø.1Ø3591E+Ø
+1Ø	+Ø.687999E-5	+Ø.489999E-4	+Ø.481866E-1
+11	+Ø.889999E-5	+Ø.499999E-4	+Ø.153897E-1
+12	+Ø.658999E-2	+Ø.5Ø9999E-4	+Ø.173737E-1
+13	+Ø.767ØØØE-2	+Ø.519999E-4	+Ø.177824E-1
+14	+Ø.75Ø999E-5	+Ø.529999E-4	+Ø.583763E+Ø
+15	+Ø.889999E-5	+Ø.539999E-4	+Ø.664485E-1
+16	+Ø.75Ø999E-5		
+17	+Ø.889999E-5		
+18	+Ø.75Ø999E-5		

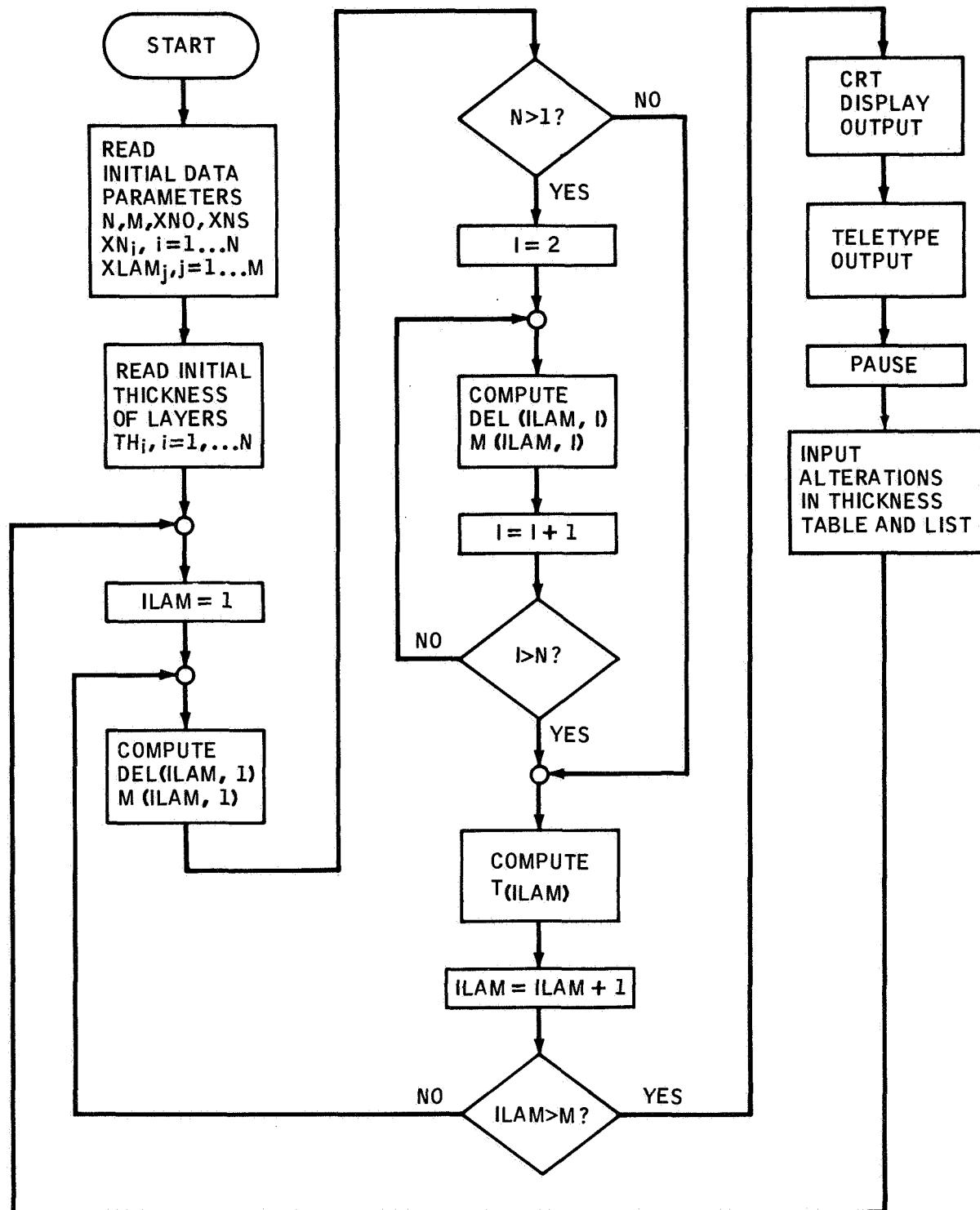


Figure 1. - Main program flow chart (FORTRAN).

## MAIN PROGRAM (FORTRAN)

```
C; OPTICAL THIN-FILM FILTER EVALUATION
C; MANNED SPACECRAFT CENTER
C; HOUSTON TEXAS
C;
C; READ INITIAL PARAMETERS ON TELETYPE
C; (MANUAL OR PAPER TAPE)
C;
DIMENSION XN(25),TH(25),XLAM(25),T(25)
100; FORMAT(I)
200; FORMAT(E)
TYPE 101
101; FORMAT(/,"NUMBER OF LAYERS = ")
ACCEPT 100,N
TYPE 102
102; FORMAT(/,"NUMBER OF LAMBdas = ")
ACCEPT 100,M
TYPE 103
103; FORMAT(/,"XNO = ")
ACCEPT 200, XNO
TYPE 104
104; FORMAT(/,"XNS = ")
ACCEPT 200,XNS
TYPE 105
105; FORMAT(/,"LAYER  ","INDEX OF REFRACTION",/)
DO 20 I=1,N
TYPE 106,I
106; FORMAT (I)
ACCEPT 200,XN(I)
20; CONTINUE
TYPE 107
107; FORMAT(/,"LAMBDA",/)
DO 30 I=1,M
ACCEPT 200,XLAM(I)
30; CONTINUE
C;
C; INPUT FIRST SET OF THICKNESSES
C;
TYPE 108
108; FORMAT(/,"LAYER  ","THICKNESS OF LAYER",/)
DO 40 I=1,N
TYPE 109,I
109; FORMAT(I)
ACCEPT 200,TH(I)
40; CONTINUE
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## MAIN PROGRAM (FORTRAN) - Continued

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C;
C; Tλ's COMPUTED IN THIS SECTION
C;
C; COMPUTE DEL AND M MATRIX
998; DO 999 ILAM=1,M
DEL=((6.2831853)*XN(1)*TH(1))/XLAM(ILAM)
A=COSF(DEL)
B=SINF(DEL)/XN(1)
C=XN(1)*SINF(DEL)
D=A
IF(N-1)2,4,2
C; HERE FOR N>1 COMPUTE Mn=M
C;
2; DO 3 I=2,N
DEL=((6.2831853)*XN(I)*TH(I))/XLAM(ILAM)
A1=COSF(DEL)
B1=SINF(DEL)/XN(I)
C1=XN(I)*SINF(DEL)
D1=A1
A2=A*A1-B*C1
B2=A*B1+B*D1
C2=C*A1+D*C1
D2=D*D1-C*B1
A=A2
B=B2
C=C2
D=D2
3; CONTINUE
C; Tλ EQUATION
C;
4;T(ILAM)=4.0/(2.0+A*A*XNO/XNS+D*D*XNS/XNO+C*C/(XNO*XNS)+B*B*XNO*XNS)
999; CONTINUE

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## MAIN PROGRAM (FORTRAN) - Concluded

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C; GO TO DISPLAY ROUTINE AND RETURN
C;
TYPE 110
110; FORMAT( /,"LAMBDA" , "TRANSMITTANCE", /)
PAUSE 3456
C;
C; PRINT Xλ, Tλ TABLE
C;
DO 60 I=1,M
TYPE 300,XLAM(I),T(I)
300; FORMAT( /,E,E)
60; CONTINUE
C;
C; INPUT ALTERATIONS IN THICKNESS TABLE
C;
70; ACCEPT 400,NINP,I,TH(I)
400; FORMAT(I,I,E)
C; IF NOS OF INPUTS = 0, START COMPUTING
C; IF NOS OF INPUTS IS NON-ZERO, CONTINUE TO INPUT
IF (NINP)70,80,70
80; TYPE 111
111; FORMAT( /,"LAYER" , "THICKNESS", /)
DO 90 I=1,N
TYPE 500,I,TH(I)
500; FORMAT( /,I,E)
90; CONTINUE
GO TO 998
END
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## LINK PROGRAM (ASSEMBLER LANGUAGE)

```
/THIS SUBROUTINE TRANSFERS BILBAC PROGRAM DATA
/FROM THE PDP-8 TO THE PDP-5
*6600
SUBR,    ø
          CLA
          TAD BADR  /SET UP ADDRESS POINTER
          DCA CADR  /.....
          TAD I NLAM /GET NUMBER OF LAMBdas AND
          DCA TEMP1 /TRANSMITTANCES
          TAD TEMP1 /MULT BY -3
          TAD TEMP1 /.....
          TAD TEMP1 /.....
          CIA      /.....
          DCA TEMP2 /PUT IN TEMP2 TO USE AS A COUNTER
          TAD TEMP1 /GET NUM. OF L&T
          6716    /TRANSFER NUM. TO 5
NXWORD,   CLA
          TAD I CADR /GET TRANSMITTANCE DATA WORD
          6711    /WAIT UNTIL 5 IS READY
          SKP     /.....
          JMP .-2  /.....
          6716    /TRANSFER TO 5
          ISZ CADR /INCREMENT POINTER
          ISZ TEMP2 /INCREMENT COUNTER AND SKIP IF FINISHED
          JMP NXWORD /NOT FINISHED, GET ANOTHER DATA WORD
          JMP I SUBR /FINISHED, EXIT
TEMP1,    ø
TEMP2,    ø
NLAM,     7047
BADR,     7051
CADR,     7051
          $
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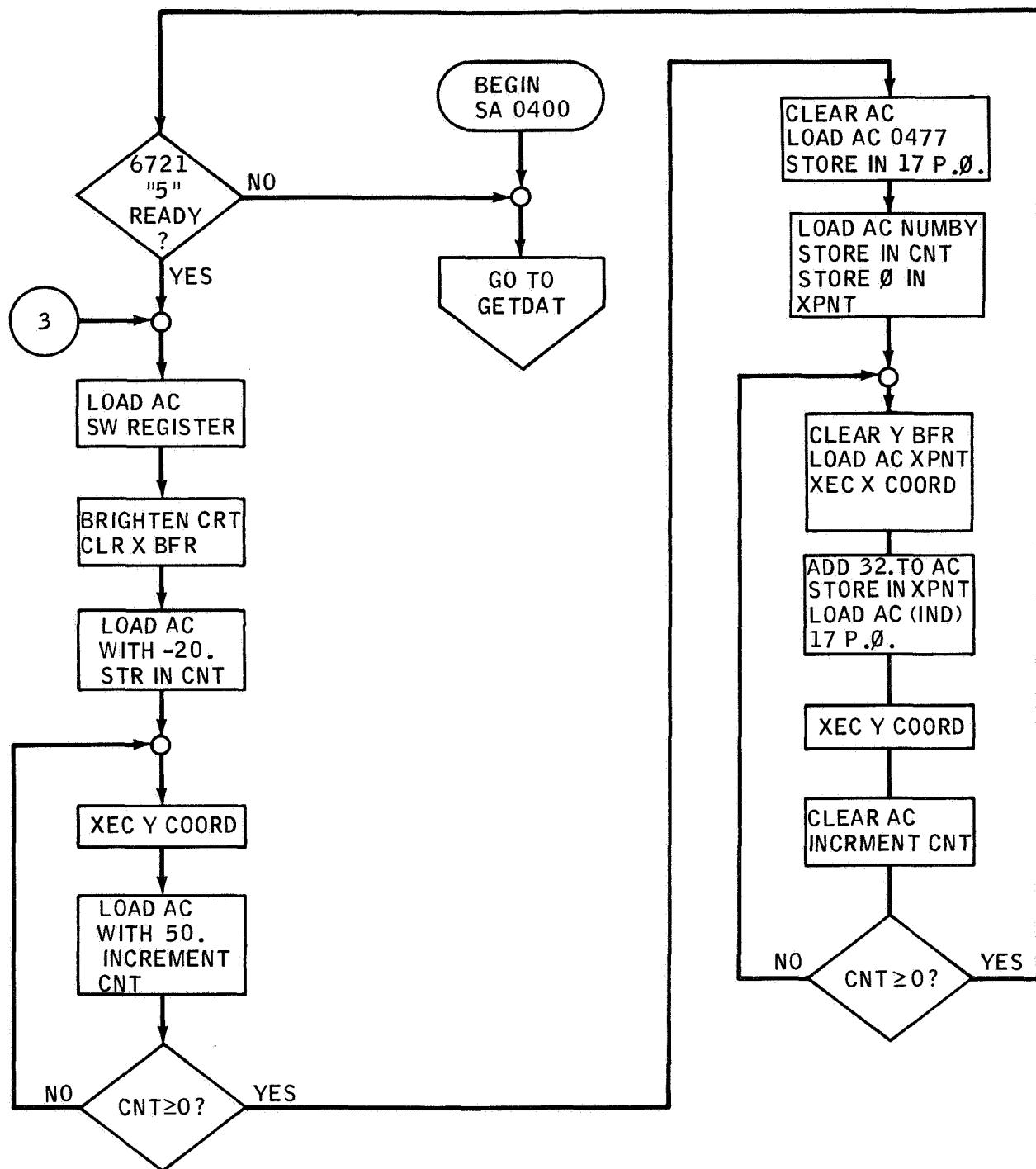


Figure 2. - Cathode ray tube flow diagram.

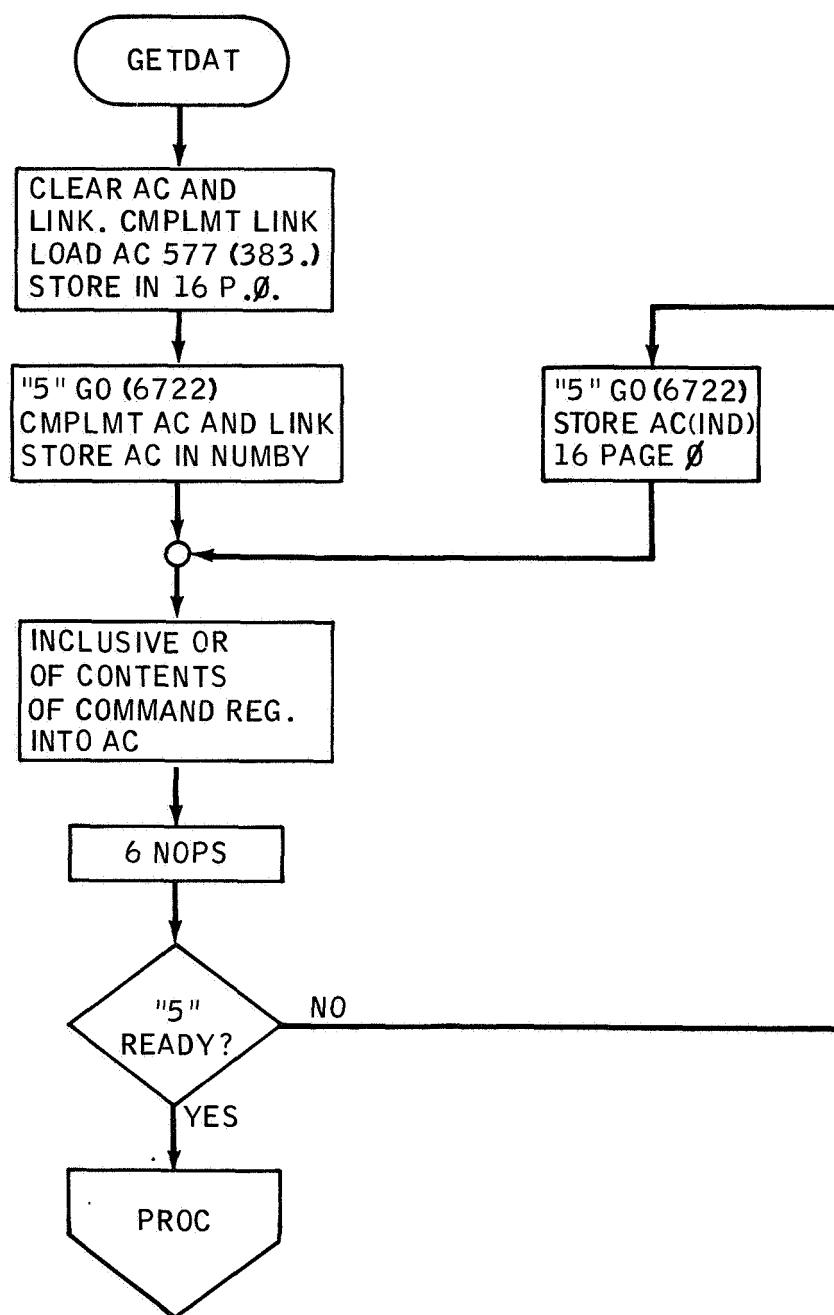


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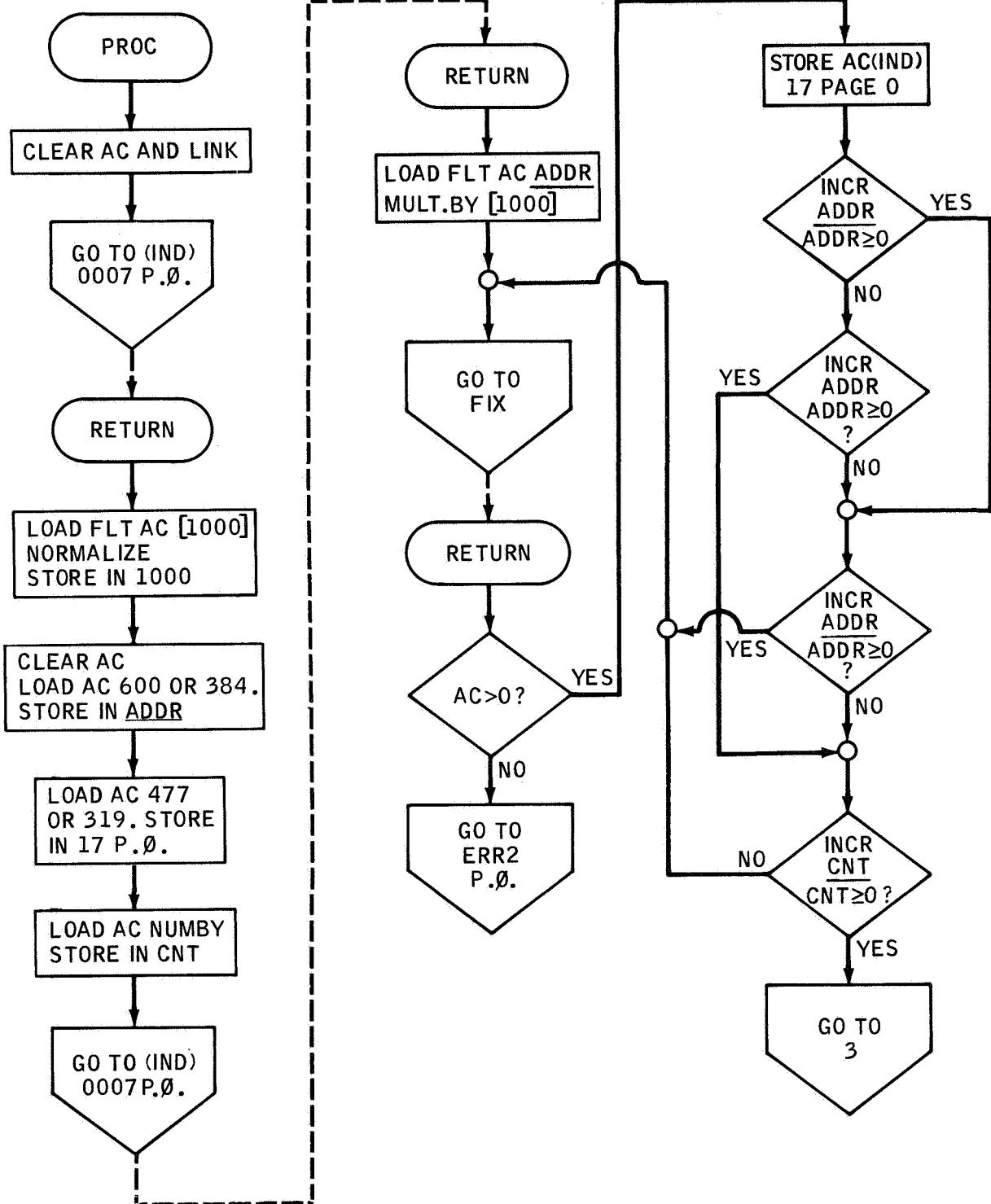


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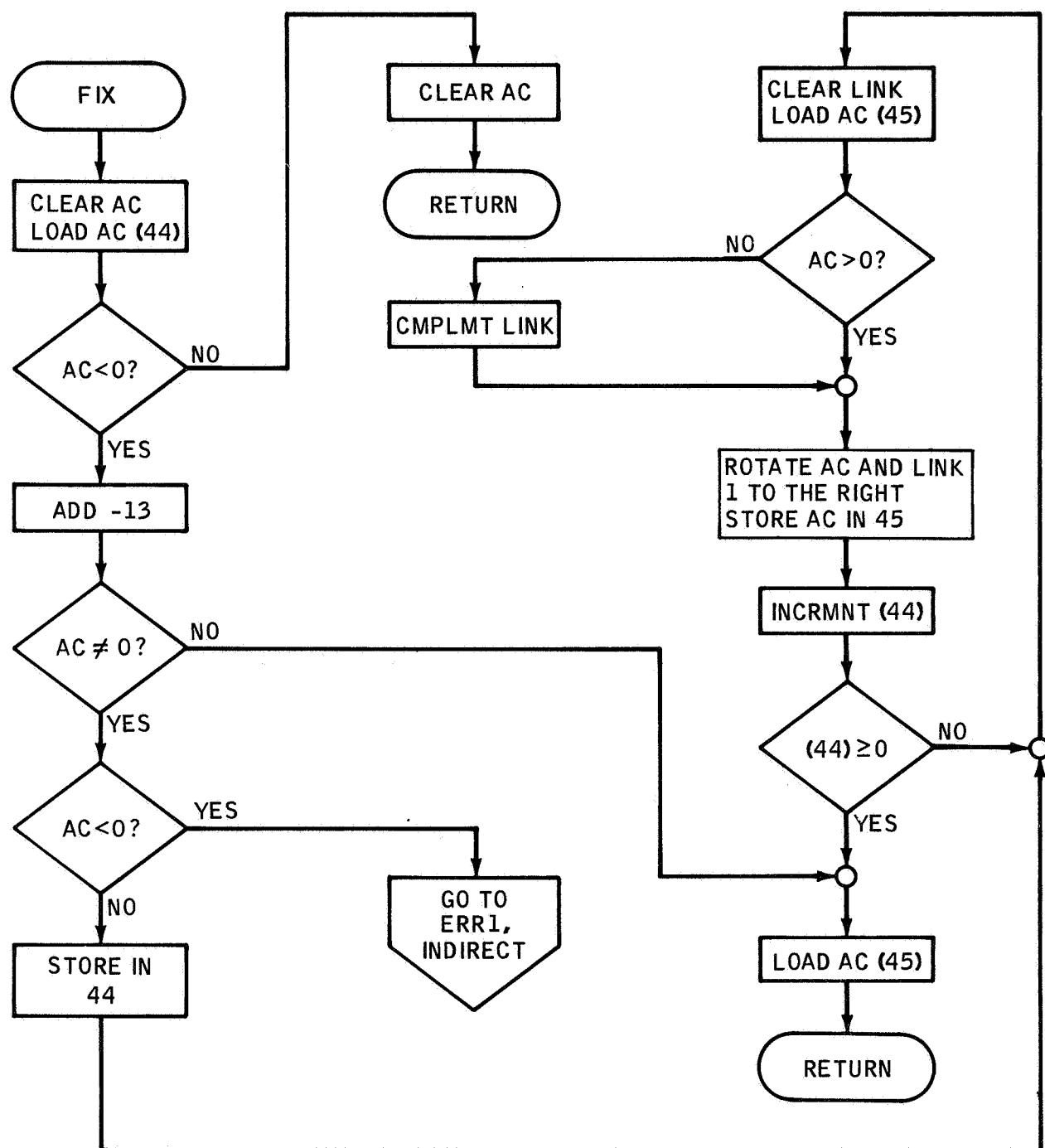


Figure 2. - Concluded.

## CRT DISPLAY ROUTINE FOR PDP-5 (ASSEMBLER LANGUAGE)

	*7	
0007	5600	5600
	*63	
0063	0000	FIX,
0064	7200	
0065	1044	TAD 44
0066	7540	SZA SMA
0067	5072	JMP .+3
0070	7200	CLA
0071	5111	JMP FIN +1
0072	1112	TAD M13
0073	7450	SNA
0074	5110	JMP FIN
0075	7500	SMA
0076	5513	JMP I ERR1
0077	3044	DCA 44
0100	7100	AGN,
0101	1045	CLL
0102	7510	TAD 45
0103	7020	SPA
0104	7010	CML
0105	3045	RAR
0106	2044	DCA 45
0107	5100	ISZ 44
0110	1045	JMP AGN
0111	5463	FIN,
0112	7765	TAD 45
0113	1000	JMP I FIX
0114	1001	M13,
		0-13
		1000
		1001

CRT DISPLAY ROUTINE FOR PDP-5 (ASSEMBLER LANGUAGE) - Continued

*400		
0400	5201	BEGIN, JMP .+1
0401	6721	6721
0402	5246	JMP GETDAT
0403	7604	LAS
0404	6074	6074
0405	6051	6051
0406	7200	CLA
0407	1237	TAD C20
0410	3236	DCA CNT
0411	6067	6067
0412	1240	TAD C50
0413	2236	ISZ CNT
0414	5211	JMP .-3
0415	7200	CLA
0416	1241	TAD C477
0417	3017	DCA Z 17
0420	1245	TAD NUMBY
0421	3236	DCA CNT
0422	3244	DCA XPNT
0423	6061	NXTX, 6061
0424	1244	TAD XPNT
0425	6057	6057
0426	1242	TAD C40
0427	3244	DCA XPNT
0430	1417	TAD I Z 17
0431	6067	6067
0432	7200	CLA
0433	2236	ISZ CNT
0434	5223	JMP .-11
0435	5201	JMP BEGIN +1
0436	0000	CNT, 0
0437	7754	C20, 7754
0440	0062	C20, 0062
0441	0477	C477, 0477
0442	0040	C40, 40
0443	0577	C577, 577
0444	0000	XPNT, 0
0445	7740	NUMBY, 7740
0446	7300	GETDAT, CLA CLL
0447	7020	CML
0450	1243	TAD C577
0451	3016	DCA Z 16
0452	6722	6722
0453	7041	CIA
0454	3245	DCA NUMBY

CRT DISPLAY PROGRAM FOR PDP-5 (ASSEMBLER LANGUAGE) - Continued

0455	6724	NXWORD,	6724
0456	7000	NOP	
0457	7000	NOP	
0460	7000	NOP	
0461	7000	NOP	
0462	7000	NOP	
0463	7000	NOP	
0464	6721	6721	
0465	7410	SKP	
0466	5342	JMP PROC	
0467	6722	6722	
0470	3416	DCA I Z 16	
0471	5255	JMP NXWORD	
0472	0012	C1000,	0012
0473	3720	3720	
0474	0000	0000	
0475	0600	ADDR,	600
0476	0600	C600,	600
		*500	
0500	0000		0
0501	0000		0
0502	0000		0
0503	0000		0
0504	0000		0
0505	0000		0
0506	0000		0
0507	0000		0
0510	0000		0
0511	0000		0
0512	0000		0
0513	0000		0
0514	0000		0
0515	0000		0
0516	0000		0
0517	0000		0
0520	0000		0
0521	0000		0
0522	0000		0
0523	0000		0
0524	0000		0
0525	0000		0
0526	0000		0
0527	0000		0
0530	0000		0
0531	0000		0
0532	0000		0
0533	0000		0
0534	0000		0
0535	0000		0
0536	0000		0
0537	0000		0
0540	0000		0
0541	0000		0

CRT DISPLAY PROGRAM FOR PDP-5 (ASSEMBLER LANGUAGE) - Concluded

		*542
0542	7300	PROC ,
0543	4407	CLA CLL
0544	5272	JMS I Z 7
0545	7000	FGET C1000
0546	6272	FNOR
0547	0000	FPUT C1000
0550	7200	FEXT
0551	1276	CLA
0552	3275	TAD C600
0553	1241	DCA ADDR
0554	3017	TAD C477
0555	1245	DCA Z 17
0556	3236	TAD NUMBY
0557	4407	DCA CNT
0560	5675	JMS I Z 7
0561	3272	FGET I ADDR
0562	0000	FMPY C1000
0563	4063	FEXT
0564	7510	JMS Z FIX
0565	5514	SPA
0566	3417	JMP I Z ERR2
0567	2275	DCA I Z 17
0570	2275	ISZ ADDR
0571	2275	ISZ ADDR
0572	2236	ISZ CNT
0573	5357	JMP .-14
0574	5203	JMP BEGIN +3
		*1000
1000	7402	HLT
1001	7402	HLT
1002	5201	JMP .-1
ADDR	0475	
AGN	0100	
BEGIN	0400	
CNT	0436	
C1000	0472	
C20	0437	
C40	0442	
C477	0441	
C50	0440	
C577	0443	
C600	0476	
ERR1	0113	
ERR2	0114	
FIN	0110	
FIX	0063	
GETDAT	0446	
M13	0112	
NUMBY	0445	
NXTX	0423	
NXWORD	0455	
PROC	0542	
XPNT	0444	